

**STATE OF LOUISIANA**  
**COURT OF APPEAL, FIRST CIRCUIT**

**COURT NOTICE**

Effective immediately, public access to the courthouse building will be severely limited. Any request to physically view appellate records, exhibits, or filings should be directed to the Clerk of Court, Rodd Naquin (225-382-3000) for scheduling.

# STATE OF LOUISIANA

## COURT OF APPEAL, FIRST CIRCUIT

The Louisiana Court of Appeal, First Circuit announces visitor restrictions to the courthouse as a result of the COVID-19 virus (coronavirus).

The Centers for Disease Control has advised people to take precautions in light of the COVID-19 virus and noted that the best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus.

**Therefore, effective immediately, the following persons shall not enter the First Circuit courthouse:**

- Persons who have travelled to any of the following countries within the last 14 days:

CHINA	SOUTH KOREA	JAPAN
ITALY	IRAN	

*(This list may be updated as further guidance is received.)*

- Persons who reside or have had close contact with someone who has travelled to one of the countries listed above within the last 14 days;
- Persons who have been asked to self-quarantine by any doctor, hospital or health agency;
- Persons who have been diagnosed with, or have had contact with, anyone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19;
- Persons exhibiting symptoms unusual to you that are among the CDC-identified symptoms (these have been identified as fever, cough or shortness of breath).

**ANYONE ATTEMPTING TO ENTER IN VIOLATION OF THESE PROTOCOLS WILL BE DENIED ENTRY BY A COURT SECURITY OFFICER.**

If you have a scheduled hearing or you have other business inside the courthouse, and you are unable to enter because of the restrictions listed above, you should proceed as follows:

- Contact the Clerk of Court, Rodd Naquin ([225-382-3000](tel:225-382-3000)), who will be able to assist you;
- If you are represented by an attorney, please contact your attorney;
- If you are an attorney and you are scheduled to appear for oral argument hearing, please contact the Clerk of Court's Office ([225-382-3000](tel:225-382-3000)).

**These restrictions will remain in place temporarily until it is determined to be safe to remove them. People who think they may have been exposed to COVID-19 should contact their healthcare provider immediately.**

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All oral arguments are continued without date. Oral arguments will be scheduled to take place as soon as possible after May 1, 2020. Thus, with the exception of cases that require emergency consideration, the First Circuit will not hold arguments before May 1, 2020. **The First Circuit will continually assess the coronavirus COVID-19 situation.**